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THE SITUATION IN CENTRAL AMERICA: PROCEDURES FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A FIRM AND LASTING PEACE AND PROGRESS IN FASHIONING A REGION OF PEACE, FREEDOM, DEMOCRACY AND DEVELOPMENT

Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/51/L.18

Report of the Fifth Committee

Rapporteur: Mr. Igor V. GOUMENNY (Ukraine)

1. At its 39th meeting, on 11 December 1996, the Fifth Committee, pursuant to rule 153 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly, considered the statement by the Secretary-General (A/C.5/51/32) on the programme budget implications of draft resolution A/51/L.18. The related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions was presented orally by its Chairman (see A/C.5/51/SR.39).

2. Statements and observations made in the course of the Committee's consideration of this item are reflected in the relevant summary record (A/C.5/51/SR.39).

DECISION OF THE FIFTH COMMITTEE

3. The Fifth Committee decided to inform the General Assembly that, should it adopt draft resolution A/51/L.18, additional requirements of $331,300 would be required under section 3, Peacekeeping operations and special missions, of the programme budget for the biennium 1996-1997. Additional requirements of $60,600 would also be required under section 32, Staff assessment, offset by the same amount under Income section 1, income from staff assessment. Such additional appropriation as may be required would be considered by the General Assembly in the context of its consideration of the first performance report of the programme budget for the biennium 1996-1997.

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FINANCING OF THE UNITED NATIONS PEACEKEEPING FORCES IN THE MIDDLE EAST: UNITED NATIONS DISENGAGEMENT OBSERVER FORCE

Report of the Fifth Committee

Rapporteur: Mr. Igor V. GOUMENNY (Ukraine)

I. INTRODUCTION

1. At its 3rd plenary meeting, on 20 September 1996, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its fifty-first session the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations peacekeeping forces in the Middle East: United Nations Disengagement Observer Force" and to allocate it to the Fifth Committee.

2. For its consideration of the item, the Committee had before it the reports of the Secretary-General (A/51/405) and the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/51/684).

3. The Committee considered the item at its 35th and 39th meetings, on 2 and 11 December 1996. Statements and observations made in the course of the Committee's consideration of the item are reflected in the relevant summary records (A/C.5/51/SR.35 and 39).

II. CONSIDERATION OF DRAFT DECISION A/C.5/51/L.14

4. At the 39th meeting, on 11 December, the representative of Latvia introduced a draft decision entitled "Financing of the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force" (A/C.5/51/L.14), submitted by the Chairman on the basis of informal consultations.

5. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft decision A/C.5/51/L.14 without a vote (see para. 6).

III. RECOMMENDATION OF THE FIFTH COMMITTEE

6. The Fifth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft decision:

Financing of the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force

The General Assembly, having considered the report of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force,[1] and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions:[2]

(a) Decides that, for Member States that have fulfilled their financial obligations to the Force, there shall be set off against their future apportionments their respective share in the unencumbered balance of 1,202,700 United States dollars gross (973,100 dollars net) for the period from 1 December 1994 to 30 November 1995;

(b) Also decides that, for Member States that have not fulfilled their financial obligations to the Force, their share of the unencumbered balance of 1,202,700 dollars gross (973,100 dollars net) for the period from 1 December 1994 to 30 November 1995 shall be set off against their outstanding obligations.

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[1] A/51/405.

[2] A/51/684.